

REMARKS

Claims 1-52 are pending.

Claims 1-13 stand rejected.

Claims 1-13 have been amended.

Claims 14-52 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Claims 53 - 75 have been added.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 1-13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101.

Claim 1, from which claims 2-13 depend, has been amended to recite “generating a delta price ...”, “generating a modified price ...”, and “providing the modified price and the delta price to a computer system of a user to indicate to the user a pricing impact associated with the modification of the configuration.” (emphasis added). Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 1 as amended is directed towards statutory subject matter and not towards an abstract idea. See *State Street Bank & Trust Co. v. Signature Fin. Group, Inc.*, 149 F.3d 1368, 47 U.S.P.Q.2d 1596 (Fed. Cir. 1998) (holding that the transformation of data, representing discrete dollar amounts, by a machine through a series of mathematical calculations into a final share price, constitutes a practical application of a mathematical algorithm, formula, or calculation, because it produces “a useful, concrete and tangible result”—a final share price momentarily fixed for recording and reporting purposes and even accepted and relied upon by regulatory authorities and in subsequent trades.) See also, *In re Alappat*, 33 F.3d 1526, 31 USPQ2d 1545 (Fed. Cir. 1994) (en banc) (holding that data, transformed by a machine through a series of mathematical calculations to produce a smooth waveform display on a rasterizer monitor, constituted a practical application of an abstract idea (a mathematical algorithm, formula, or calculation), because it produced “a useful, concrete and tangible result”—the smooth waveform.)

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. “The Examiner is unable to determine how a delta price and a final price is generated without knowing the necessary base price.” Office Action, p. 5.

Claim 1, from which claims 2-13 depend, has been amended to recite:

A method of using a computer system for generating a delta price relative to a base price of a configuration of features, the method comprising:
generating a delta price following modification of the configuration by changing a number of the features in the configuration, wherein the modification of the configuration results in a price change of the configuration and the delta price comprises a difference between the base price and the base price adjusted by the price change;
generating a modified price using the delta price and the base price; and
providing the modified price and the delta price to a computer system of a user to indicate to the user a pricing impact associated with the modification of the configuration.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

ELECTRONICALLY FILED.

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